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Mr. Henry Rowen
Chairman, National Intelligence
Council
Room 7E62
CIA Headquarters Building
Washington, D. C.

Dear Mr. Rowen:

The National Security Agency has designated SIGINT National Intelligence Officers (SINIOs) who are counterparts to the National Intelligence Officers (NIOs) of the National Intelligence Council. These individuals are responsible for overseeing the production of information by Agency elements in special topical or geographic areas and also responsible for NSA's participation in the preparation of Interagency Intelligence Product (NIEs, SNIEs, IIMs and other papers requiring Intelligence Community coordination).

I have asked my staff to arrange a seminar involving our SINIOs and their alternates in order to reaffirm this Agency's commitment to this process and their duties as my representatives. I would be very pleased to have you participate in this seminar which is now scheduled to occur on Friday, 29 April 1983. What I have in mind is a 20 to 30-minute talk by you on the role of the NIC in the estimative process, the philosophy behind the way these studies are done, and what you perceive to be the DCI's wishes and your responsibilities to him in this area.

I have also invited Mr. Walter Elder, the Executive Secretary of the National Foreign Intelligence Board (NFIB) to talk to the group on the role and responsibilities of the NFIB (and the Secretariat) in the production process. Talks will also be given by people from my Directorate of Policy on administering the process here at NSA.

I would like to invite you and Mr. Elder to join me and some of my staff for lunch following the morning session.

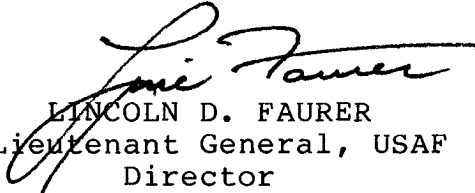
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I hope you will find it convenient to participate in this important endeavor. If you are able to visit us on 29 April from approximately 1030 to 1300, please advise my Point of Contact for the SINIO seminar, [redacted] of the Community Affairs Office here, Telephone [redacted] (or [redacted] to arrange particulars.

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Sincerely,


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Lieutenant General, USAF
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